

EXHIBIT # 27

*Marty emailed that he was always happy to facilitate a meeting between me and any other staff regarding professional behavior.

*Yet Marty never followed through. Never sat down with Johan and I or Amin and I. He never had that much needed Bar Team meeting. Never met with the Bar and Cocktail Teams together.

February 20, 2015:

*James called out of work.

*Roberto refused to work service - it was just him and I working that night (He informed me as orders started coming in to the Service Bar)

*I was threatened by Roberto in front of Amin, who did nothing. Roberto told me to shut up and dare not speak to him anymore.

*Roberto yelled at me in front of guests, I was visibly shaken.

*Amin and Roberto started speaking Spanish in front of me, they continued this until I was fired.

*Amin physically, inappropriately touched a female guest at the bar, she complained to me. Her and her friends were lawyers from Wales staying in the hotel for a week. They said they would write a complaint to Amin's boss, Marty.

*I massively out-rung Roberto that night even as I worked both Point and Service Stations.

*Amin sat in Roberto's section for 3 hours "tasting" a.k.a, drinking.

February 26 -

*James was late.

*Roberto called out.

February 27 -

*Roberto called out.

February 28 -

*James and Roberto both late.

March 1 -

*James Menite got very drunk behind the bar

*Manager JP threatened to fire, Paige, Katie and Daria, Cocktail servers, if they drank on the job (they were not drinking)

March 3 -

*Roberto called out of work.

March 4 -

*Eddie called out of work.

March 5 -

*Roberto called out.

March 8 -

*Roberto was 1 hour and 40 minutes late to work (Daylight Savings Sunday)

March 9 -

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1 M. MARIANO
2 included the repositioning of the Palm
3 Court Restaurant, including the labor
4 negotiation piece, the creative direction
5 of specific programs, to oversee the Todd
6 English Food Hall, and to assist with some
7 ongoing union labor issues that were
8 happening down there with the addition of
9 a private dining room, and ultimately to
10 oversee the repositioning of the Oak Bar.

11 Following the opening of the
12 cocktail program at the Palm Court, the
13 performance of the outlet failed to meet
14 the financial budgeted expectation of the
15 ownership.

16 So a meeting was called in late
17 February between Hampshire Hotels,
18 Fairmont Hotels, Sant Chatwel, who's the
19 owner of Hampshire Hotels, Geoffrey
20 Zakarian and his wife, and the ownership
21 of The Plaza and the general manager,
22 about the way forward.

23 And in that meeting there were
24 several solutions to what needed to be
25 done. And one of them, which they

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1 M. MARIANO
2 ultimately chose to do, was to halt the
3 further work being done on the Oak Room;
4 and therefore, they found it unnecessary
5 to keep me as part of the leadership team.
6 So, unfortunately, I was let go.
7 Q. Where are you now?
8 A. Currently, I work at the Palace
9 Hotel, Lotte New York Palace.
10 Q. Lotte, L-o-t-t-e?
11 A. Correct.
12 Q. And you have the same there as
13 you had at The Plaza?
14 A. Yes. I'm the director of food
15 and beverage.
16 Q. And how many bars do you
17 supervise?
18 A. I have four.
19 Q. And you've been there since
20 when?
21 A. I began in September of 2015
22 following a consulting job with
23 Ritz-Carlton New York Central Park, which
24 was my former job.
25 So to be clear, I left The

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1 M. MARIANO
2 Plaza. I began at the Ritz-Carlton. And
3 as I was winding down my consultation with
4 the Ritz-Carlton, I was contacted by the
5 Palace to join their team.
6 Q. Who contacted you?
7 A. The acting general manager at
8 the time, whose name is John Tolbert. And
9 he was searching for a director of food
10 and beverage and got my name through the
11 Marriott Corporation.
12 Q. At the time you left The Plaza,
13 was James Menite still employed?
14 A. Yes.
15 Q. And in what capacity?
16 A. A bartender.
17 Q. Where?
18 A. At The Plaza.
19 Q. Which bar?
20 A. Oh, the Palm Court.
21 Q. And how about Roberto, was he
22 still employed?
23 A. Roberto, I recall, being on a
24 leave of absence at the time that I left.
25 Q. And how about Edwin?

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1 M. MARIANO
2 A. Edwin -- Eddie was still
3 employed, yes.
4 Q. All of them were still employed
5 at the Palm Court?
6 A. Yes.
7 Q. When did the Oak Bar open?
8 A. It never opened.
9 Q. It's still not open?
10 A. It's still not open.
11 Q. Was Amin still employed in his
12 present position when you left?
13 A. Yes.
14 Q. If I understand your testimony,
15 and tell me or correct me if I'm wrong,
16 that all the people who complained about
17 Tina Braunstein were males?
18 A. No.
19 Q. What females complained?
20 A. The cocktail servers.
21 Q. When?
22 A. And the female manager that was
23 employed at the hotel.
24 Q. And who was the female manager?
25 A. Carolyn Merlo.

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